THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (c). UGC has taken a decision, in principle, to set up regional offices in different parts of the country. No decision on the location of these offices has been taken.

Expansion of AIIMs

2986. SHRI R. SURENDER REDDY:
SHRI GOPI NATH GAJAPATHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for the expansion of the All India Institute of Medical Sciences;

(b) if so, the estimated cost; and

(c) the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) to (c). Yes, Sir. There are proposals for expansion of AIIMS by setting up a Screening OPD additional Private Ward, Surgical Block, Mortuary, an Animal House etc; at an estimated cost of Rs. 44 crores approximately during the 8th Plan period. The said expansion is proposed to be taken up in a phased manner and is likely to be completed before the end of the 8th Five Year Plan.

Increase in Rail Fares

2987. SHRI D.D. KHANORIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the rail fare charges of narrow gaug rail line between Pathankot-Joginder Nagar on Northern Railway have been increased as compared to other narrow gauge lines; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b). Passenger fares on the Pathankot-Joginder Nagar section are charged on inflated distance which is 1/1/2 times of the actual distance.

The decision of inflate the distance was taken as it was found that the line would not be remunerative if fares and freight were charged on actual distance. Even with inflation in the distance for charge, Railways are incurring losses on this section. Such a method of inflating the actual distance is in vogue on some other unremunerative lines also irrespective of gauge.

Number of Practitioners in different systems of Medicine

2988. SHRI SURYA NARAIN YADAV: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of specialists who are presently working in different Allopathic, Homoeopathic, Ayurvedic and Unani systems of medicine in CGHS dispensaries, dispensary wise;

(b) whether there is a shortage of specialists particularly in Homoeopathic system of medicine;

(c) if so, the steps being taken to appoint more senior homeopathic physicians in Delhi, New Delhi; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) A Statement is attached.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) Due to financial constraints, there is no proposal to appoint more Senior Homoeopathic Physicians in Delhi, New Delhi at present.

STATEMENT

Statement giving Information for Lok Sabha unstarred question No. 2988 for 10.12.1991

A Specialist is attached to many dispensaries, who visits them on rotation.

The number of Specialists working in different systems in CGHS institutions is indicated below as it is not possible to give dispensary wise information:—

Allopathic Specialists:

Name of the Institution	*No. of Specialists*
CGHS, Delhi	73
CGHS, Bombay	13
CGHS, Calcutta	4
CGHS, Madras	4
CGHS, Hyderabad	6
CGHS, Bangalore	4
CGHS, Pune,	2
CGHS, Ahmedabad	2
CGHS, Nagpur	7
CGHS, Patna	2
CGHS, Kanpur	3
CGHS, Lucknow	2
CGHS, Allahabad	5
CGHS, Meerut	1
CGHS, Jaipur	6

There is no Homoeopathic, Ayurvedic or Unani Specialst working in CGHS dispensaries outside Delhi. The data for CGHS Delhi is as under:-

Senior Homoeopathic Physician	—	1
Senior Ayurvedic Physician	—	4
Senior Unani Physician	—	NIl.

Women Polytechnics with World Bank Assistance

2989. SHRIMATI CHANDRA PRABHA URS: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Women Polytechnics proposed to be opened with the World Bank aid in the country with State wise list of these polytechnics;

(b) the amount of assistance to be given by the World Bank in this regard;

(c) whether these polytechnics will start functioning from the academic year 1992-93; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOUCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b). 38 new Women's polytechnics including separate wings for women in existing polytechnics as per Statewise list given in the attached Statement are proposed to be established with World Bank credit/loan assistance under a project on strengthening technician education in the country during 1990-98. For this purpose the world Bank assistance is estimated to be Rs. 93 crores.

(c) and (d) As per project proposals, 22 new women's polytechnics including separate wings for women in existing polytechnics will become functional by 1992-93.

STATEMENT

State-wise list of new Women's Polytechnics/separate Wings for women in existing polytechnics to be established with World Bank assistance.

Sl.No.	*Name of State*	*No. of New Women's Polytechnics/Wings to be established*
	Phase I	
1.	Bihar	1
2.	Gujarat	4
3.	Karnataka	1
4.	Kerala	1
5.	Madhya Pradesh	6